GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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RAJKOT AIRPORT
Gadhavi Shri Pushpdan Shambhudan

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Airports Authority of India (AAI) has to acquire land from railway authorities for the purpose of upgradation of Rajkot Airport;

(b) if so, whether the railway authorities have agreed to give land to the AAI;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to complete the work of upgradation of the Airport?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (c) & (d) Yes, Sir. Railway Authorities have agreed to transfer the land measuring 21 hectares (approx.) on lease with the condition that Airports Authority of India (AAI) should rehabilitate the affected residential units and pay its market value.

(e) Railway Board has been requested to transfer the land at a concessional rate so that upgradation project remains viable.